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Introducing Diagnostic And Therapeutic
Apparatus Into The Body
Group Art Unit: 3767
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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE A DOUBLE PATENTING
REJECTION (37 CFR §1.321(b))**

Sir:

I, Craig A. Slavin, represent that I am an attorney of record in the present application and that I am authorized to sign on behalf of the assignee, Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc., the owner of one-hundred percent (100%) interest in the instant application. ***Please note that Scimed Life Systems, Inc. changed its name to Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc. effective January 1, 2005.*** I hereby certify that all statements made herein are made by and for the assignee, Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc. The assignment was recorded on April 13, 2000, on Reel 010735, Frame 0458.

Boston Scientific Scimed, Inc. hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term prior patent Nos. 6544215, 7695451 and 7731682, as the terms of said prior patents are defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, and as the terms of said prior patents are presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer. The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the

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Respectfully submitted,

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